By Mr. Bryan of Wilkes, a petition of citizens of Wilkes County, against a new county at Elkin, etc. Referred to the Committee on Counties, Cities, Towns and Townships.

By Mr. Franck, a petition from the merchants of Onslow County. Referred to the Committee on Finance.

By Mr. Vestal (by request), a petition of citizens of Surry County, protesting againt the formation of a new county. Referred to the Committee on Counties, Cities, Towns and Townships.

By Mr. Bryan of Wilkes, a petition of citizens of Fishing Creek Township, asking to have the same restored. Referred to the Committee on Counties, Cities, Towns and Townships.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

Bills and resolutions are reported from standing committees, read, and take their place on the Calendar as follows:

By Mr. Sutton, from the Committee on the Judiciary, the following bills, with favorable recommendations:

H. B. 608, a bill to be entitled an act to amend chapter 713 of *The Code*, favorably with amendment;

H. B. 542, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 2303 of *The Code*, favorably with an amendment;

H. B. 53, a bill to be entitled an act in relation to dower; H. B. 621, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 2, Laws of 1887, chapter 39;

S. B. 314, H. B. 590, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 403 of *The Code*, with a favorable recommendation and an amendment;

S. B. 163, H. B. 392, a bill to be entitled an act curing certain irregularities in the revision of jury lists;

S. B. 182, H. B. 458, a bill to be entitled an act to amend section 218 of *The Code*, favorably with an amendment;

Senate amendments to H. B. 58, S. B. 188, a bill to be entitled an act to compensate judges and canvassers of election;